the necessary quorum as prescribed by the relevant statutes by which they have been set up. However, vacancies of non-official directors exist in all the nationalised banks. The process of identifying suitable persons for these vacancies is under way. As the process requires completion of various formalities it is not possible to indicate any firm date by which these vacancies will be filled up.

Amount towards Income Tax and Wealth Tax outstanding against Film Artistes

1931. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the film artistes against whom income-tax and wealth-tax dues amounting to Rs. 1 lakh or more are outstanding at present; and

(b) what steps Government have taken or propose to take to recover the dues?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House to the extent possible.

Exports to Saudi Arabia and Gulf countries

1932. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that country's exports to Saudi Arabia and some other Gulf countries have been adversely affected becaus of arbitrary rules and procedure adopted by them for imports and that the Indian exporters have been complaining to Governmnt about it: and

(b) if so, what steps have been taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) and (b) No, Sir. However, Saudi Arabia had imposed restrictions on import of bovine meat and marine products on the alleged ground of occurrence of certain diseases in India. Kuwait has also imposed restrictions on import of bovine meat from India on the same grounds. They have been apprised of the correct facts and strict quality control and quarantine measures being taken by us and requested to remove these restrictions.

Amount due from 20 top Industrial Houses

1933. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total accumulated dues towards the public financial institutions from each of the 20 top industrial houses as on March 31, 1986: and

(b) what are the comparative figures as on March, 1984 and March, 1985?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and to the extent available and permissible under the rules will be laid on the Table of the House.

Amount spent on Renovation and Modernisation of Textile Mills

1934. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAL: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state the details of the amount spent by the National Textile Corporaion on Mills, mill-wise for their renovation and modernisation during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI KHURSHID ALAM KHAN): The total amount spent on renovation/modernisation of nationalised mills under the National Textile Corporation, mill-wise, during the years 1983-84 to 1985-86 is given in the Statement. [*See* Appendix CXXXIX, Annexure No. 106]

Export of Foodgrains

1935. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of foodgrains exported to different countries during the year 1985-86; and

(b) the quantum of foodgrains likely to be exported during the current financial year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) Export of foodgrains during 1985-86, as per provisional data compiled, is estimated at 5.74 lakh tonnes.

(b) Export of foodgrains during 1986-87 will depend upon the international trading environment and exportable surpluses available in the country.

Issue of Acutal Users Import Licence

1936. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the rules and regulations governing the issuing of Actual Users Import Licence to aerated water concentrate manufacturers; and

(b) how many companies possess such licence at present?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) Major raw materials for manufacture of aerated water concentrates are Flavouring essences, mixtures of odoriferous substances, synthetic essential oils and citric acid. Import of flavouring essences, mixtures of odoriferous substances and synthetic essential oils is not normally permitted. Import of citric acid can, however, be allowed to eligible actual users (industrial) on the recommendation of sponsoring authorities, having regard to indigenous availability under the procedure for supplementary licensing, as per Import and Export Policy 1985-88 (Volume-I).

(b) Particulars of all import licences issued are published in the "Weekly Bulletin of Import Licence, Export Licences and Industrial Licences" published by the Chief Controller of Imports and Exports, copies of which are available in the Parliament Library.

Insurance cover for Bank Staff

1937. SHRI KALPNATH RAI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have drawn up any scheme for providing insurance cover to the staff including the security staff of banks keeping in view their security risk; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Decline in consumption of Cotton

1938. SHRI KALPNATH RAI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that consumption of cotton has been declining in the country;

(b) if so, what are the consumption figures, year-wise for the last three years;